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MEMORANDUM FOR : Deputy Director (Support)
SUBJECT : Project [REDACTED] 25X1A2g
REFERENCE : PRG Action #DD/S-196-59 (Att. A)

1. This memorandum contains recommendations submitted for your approval. Such recommendations are contained in paragraph 2.

2. Background:

a. In accordance with your suggestion, a continued study has been made on an electronic badge system for the new Headquarters Building. The study was continued in view of the fact that the proposal from [REDACTED] as submitted in March 1959, considerably exceeded the [REDACTED] approved by the Project Review Committee.

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b. It has now been determined that an electronic badge unit can be obtained as a prototype from the [REDACTED] for a fixed price of \$72,760. This has been determined after careful appraisal of the proposals from four companies concerning an electronic badge unit. The [REDACTED] proposal follows closely the technical aspects of Project [REDACTED] and the system will be used in the manner as originally proposed. [REDACTED] also estimates that it can produce thirty (30) such production units for approximately \$240,000.

c. You will note in the attached PRG action that [REDACTED] was approved to be provided from FY 1960 funds. Rather than expending such a sum as was originally planned, it appears prudent, in view of the state of the art, to purchase a prototype unit so that a complete test and evaluation can be conducted prior to purchase of production units. This would mean an actual test installation at one of the Agency entrances and a complete analysis of the unit's feasibility in terms of time, convenience,

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employee acceptance, reliability and other related factors.

d. Your attention is invited to paragraph 2 h of the FRC Action #DD/S-196-59 which states, "the Comptroller has recommended that Project [REDACTED] be approved as a policy matter, subject to the availability of funds from program savings during FY 1959 and/or FY 1960, at the discretion of the Deputy Director (Support)."

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3. It is recommended that approval be granted for the purchase of the prototype model, which in accordance with the proposal, will cost \$72,760. Funds for this purchase can be made available from Office of Security 1960 Fiscal Year budget. However, it will be necessary to amend our 1961 Fiscal Year budget to provide the \$240,000 for purchase of the 30 units, providing the prototype proves to be operationally feasible. Funds for this project were tentatively placed in the 1962 budget but no funds were included in the Congressional Budget for Fiscal Year 1961.

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SHEFFIELD EDWARDS
Director of Security

Attachments:

FRC Action #DD/S-196-59 (Att. A) and other related documents.

The recommendations in paragraph 3 are approved.

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*Additional funds to be provided from FY 1961
savings or included in Office of Security's
budget for Fiscal Year 1962.

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